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Health teams will put dent in doctor shortage

*HHHS gets funding
for new team of
healthcare workers*

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands will be the beneficiary of one of

the 52 new Family Health Teams that are being set up across the province to provide better access to healthcare for Ontarians.

The news means that the county, which has been suffering from a nagging doctor shortage, is now in a position to stabilize and even expand its medical services.

"We have a permanent solution to our doctor shortage," says Beth Archibald, the director of community health services for Haliburton Highlands Health Services. She initially will be primarily responsible for assembling the team in conjunction with the province.

The family health team will be composed of doctors, nurse

practitioners, a dietician, and a social worker who will deal with non-mental health issues such as a family crisis.

The province plans to lure doctors to communities like Haliburton through various financial incentives, such as paying doctors on a roster system as opposed to a fee-for-service basis. Many doctors have long

wanted the roster system, which is similar to a salary in that it pays them according to how many patients on their roster, because it encourages better care and provides them with a better balance between work and family time.

Archibald says that HHHS

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*Echo is best
newspaper
in its class*

With its attractive package of stories, photos and advertisements, the Haliburton County Echo once again impressed the judges in the Ontario Community Newspaper Association's annual awards competition.

The paper beat out 21 other newspapers to be chosen the best newspaper in its class and won four other first place awards, as well as second and third place honours.

"The Echo presents an informative, creative and uncluttered view of life in Haliburton County," the judge says in her assessment of newspapers with a circulation of 3,500 to 6,499. "It is easy to read with great photos supported by well written stories and strong leads."

The Fergus-Elora News Express came second and third went to Kincardine News.

Praise also flowed for Steve Galea who once again captured first place honours in both the best columnist category and best humour columnist category, competing against columnists from papers large and small across the province.

Of his Vinegar Hill humour columns, the judge says "Great dialogue and a fresh outlook on otherwise ordinary family adventures mean that this column is a whole lot of fun to read. Steve Galea isn't just a nice writer - he's a nice writer with great comedic timing. Clean design makes it easy on

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DARREN LUM/Echo

Puppy love

Head Lake Park was busy with activity last week. Ten-year-old Caitlin Dunlop gets licked by her 10 week old puppy Spot as her other puppy Chip relaxes in her arms. Caitlin was with her parents, playing with the puppies to take advantage of the weekend's higher than normal temperatures.

**Gr. 8s learn
the tourism
ropes**

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

The gulf between the sommelier in his neatly pressed black suit and the Grade 8 students slouched in rows of neatly ordered chairs seemed to be far greater than the few feet that separated them.

He introduced himself as Steve Rowell, the food and beverage manager of the Wigamog Inn Resort. The students looked back blankly.

On Friday, approximately 150 students from Trillium Lakelands District School Board came to the Delta Pinestone to learn about potential careers in the tourism industry.

Rowell could easily relate to how they felt. He closed the space between himself and the students as he explained that he, too, was once a Grade 8 student at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. He, like many of them, had not thought of a career in hospitality when he first started making up rooms at Pinestone at the age of 15.

He went from the Pinestone to the Wigamog's dining room after high school. He started drinking but became just as interested in the quality of what he was consuming as the quantity. He decided to attend a special program to become one of only 172 Canadian sommeliers at the time.

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Man not seriously injured in crash

A 47-year-old Haliburton man escaped with only minor injuries when his car went into the ditch just north of Haliburton village on Sunday afternoon.

Ross Penhale was driving towards West Guilford when his '93 Olds left the roadway.

Dysart firefighters and paramedics attended the scene. Penhale was taken by ambulance to Haliburton Hospital but was not seriously injured.

Mine site theft

On Friday April 15 officers from the Bancroft OPP were called to a report of a theft at the Bicroft Mine Site on Inlet Bay Road in Highlands East.

Some time during the month prior a storage building on the site had been entered and several items removed. The missing property is described as a Honda generator, and a large battery charger on wheels.

Anyone with information on this theft is encouraged to call Bancroft OPP at (613) 332-2112 or CRIMESTOPPERS at

1-800-222-8477.

Impaired driving

In the evening of Saturday, April 16, Bancroft officers observed and stopped a 1990 black Ford F150 pickup truck being operated on Highway 118 in Highlands East. The driver was arrested, and returned to Bancroft OPP Detachment for breathalyzer tests. The 44-year-old Highlands East man was held in custody overnight, and then released to appear in Bancroft court on May 17.

He has been charged with impaired operation of motor vehicle, failure to provide breathalyzer sample, driving while under suspension, and failing to comply with an undertaking.

A 20-year-old Minden man faces charges of impaired driving after Minden OPP stopped his Volkswagen Golf when it was travelling south on Saturday night at approximately 8 p.m. As a result of this stop the driver was arrested and taken to the detachment.



LEN PIZZEY/Echo

Dysart firefighters pour water on a garage beside the home of Ed Burke on County Road 1 near Haliburton early Saturday afternoon. The structure was completely engulfed by the time firefighters were able to turn their hoses on the blaze. As a precaution, the spray from one hose was used to cool the side of the house adjacent to the detached garage. The Dysart crew also had to douse a small ground fire ignited by embers from the blaze.

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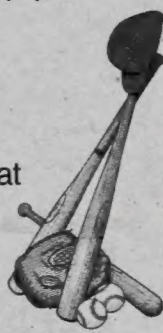
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Sister act

Sisters Maggie, 9, and Emma Scheffee, 5, were taking full advantage of the warm weather, swinging at the Head Lake Park on Friday afternoon.

Minister to attend trails conference

The Minister of Tourism and Recreation will be a keynote speaker at the Ontario Trails Council's provincial conference in Haliburton from April 29 to May 1.

Jim Bradley will address delegates on important government policies and actions affecting trails province wide.

"The OTC is pleased to be using its provincial position as the lead organization for trails in requesting and securing the Minister for our conference," said OTC Executive Director Patrick Connor.

"We are pleased that the Minister is taking the time to inform our membership on the initiatives the government is taking in support of trails."

The "Sharing the Exper-

ience" theme at the conference promises value for local trail enthusiasts, trail developers, managers and program deliverers from all over Ontario.

Highlights include:

- Educational Trail Building Certificate(s) by the International Mountain Bike Association and others;

- A look at "Active 2010", the provincial government's new comprehensive strategy to increase participation in sport and physical activity throughout Ontario.

"This conference is a significant provincial event we've been able to bring to Haliburton," says Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network Executive Director Lindsay Elder.

Elder also wants local and trail enthusiasts from the region to attend.

"I believe that having the minister attend provides a unique value to our conference that other events don't have, and I encourage all trail enthusiasts to attend this significant opportunity."

The conference will be at Camp Wanakita. Trail workshops take place on Friday April 29 with a full conference schedule planned for the remainder of the weekend. The Minister is scheduled to attend April 30.

For more information or to register online, visit the OTC website at www.ontariotrails.on.ca.

Screams in the night

'The scariest thing was the darkness and hearing the screams,' says man who rescues sledders from lake

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

On Saturday April 2 at about 8:15 p.m., during a heavy snowfall, David Scott noticed two snowmobiles lost in the narrows between Drag Lake and Spruce Lake. One of the snowmobiles carried on into the distance, apparently unaware that the other snowmobile, which was carrying a man and a woman, had fallen into the ice.

"It was a good thing I was watching them because I would have had no idea. My girlfriend and I had a movie on and the volume from the TV was fairly loud," says Scott, a Toronto resident who only came up that stormy weekend to collect maple sap from his trees.

In his jeans and t-shirt, Scott grabbed a flashlight and headed out into the storm, hearing cries for help about 30 metres from his cottage. In an attempt to first save the woman, Tina Diblasi, Scott was accidentally pulled into the frigid water, which he says was about a metre and a half deep.

Scott's girlfriend, Karen Holyj, noticed that her boyfriend's flashlight had disappeared in the darkness and immediately called 911.

"After he went out there, I was screaming for him and all I could see was the darkness and all these people screaming for help. It was awful because we were the only cottage up there and you could hear these voices screaming in the night, echoing in the channel there, through the narrows. It's just haunting," says Holyj.

At the same time, the other snowmobiler had returned only to sink into the lake as well, about 150 yards away from the other victims. Meanwhile, Scott and the male snowmobiler, Carl Hussey, managed to throw Diblasi onto the ice, encouraging her to roll her way to shore. Scott and Hussey tried to pull themselves out but their collec-

tive weight kept breaking the ice. Eventually Scott exited from a different side of the hole and rolled himself to safety.

Not wanting to get pulled in again, Scott calmed Hussey down so that eventually Hussey could elevate himself up on the sunken snowmobile and return to safety.

The third snowmobiler was already out and wandering in the woods. Scott called him in and eventually herded all three into his cottage, where everyone was able to warm up and indulge in a shot of whiskey.

Police and emergency workers eventually made their way through the storm to arrive at the scene and commended Scott for his courage.

The next morning a number of clothing items were still floating in the water.

"I think the scariest thing was the darkness and hearing the screams. And not really knowing what to do, knowing that you have to do something but not knowing what to do," says Scott.

The snowmobilers had apparently been visiting friends during the day and intended to follow their tracks back home. But because of the heavy snowfall, the three were led astray by another snowmobiler's tracks and ended up lost in the narrows by Scott's cottage.



Dressed only in jeans and t-shirts, cottager David Scott went through the ice when he rescued man and woman who had fallen through the narrows between Drag Lake and Spruce Lake.

Galea Ontario's best columnist

from page 1

the eyes, too."

The Columnist of the Year judge says that Galea's writing "brushes all the senses. He achieves what columnists strive for - to transport the reader to another place and to evoke emotion. Galea does not deal with earth-shattering events. His column is about dogs and eggs and fishing with his son. It is a wonderful read. When coupled with the airy, clean layout, Walking Softly walks to the head of the class."

Editor Martha Perkins came first in the arts and entertainment category open to all papers for her *County Life* profile of actress Kate Campbell.

"'Sister Kate' has all the ingredients of a great entertainment story - excellent photography, a detailed interview with the main character in a local production of *The Sound of Music*, solid, insightful reporting, dramatic layout and sufficient space to tell the whole story to the reader," the judge says.

The *Echo's* fifth first place finish was earned by photographer Darren Lum for the way he captured the joy of two young boys on an autumn walk for the cover of *Fall Tour*.

"This crisp photo of a guided fall colours walking tour is made extraordinary when photographer Darren Lum captured a magic moment shared between two young people oblivious of the formal tour talk. Lum framed the action well between two stands of trees."

Graphic artist Jamie Woodman came second for her *Winter Guide* ad for Haliburton Forest. "Nice use of type, close art with four overlapping images



The Haliburton County Echo won four provincial first place awards, including best newspaper in its circulation, a second and third. On hand to accept the awards were (front, from left) columnist Steve Galea, former reporter Izabela Jaroszynski, chief photographer Darren Lum, reporter Sheryl Loucks; (back, from left) Graphic designer Jamie Woodman, editor Martha Perkins, OCNA President Dave Armstrong, publisher Len Pizze and Graphic Designer Cathy Olliffe.

made this ad a winner," the judge says.

In the best special section category, *Fall Tour* came third. The judge said, "The layout is very open and clean and the theme is carried throughout the section. Good variety of pictures and lots of information."

The *Echo's* sister paper, the *Minden Times*, also came home from the OCNA

convention in Toronto a winner. It was chosen as the best newspaper among those with a circulation of 2,000 to 3,499 and the reporting team of Sheryl Loucks and Izabela Jaroszynski came third in the coveted best news story category open to all community newspapers in the province for their stories on the closure of the Frost Centre. Stories by Loucks

and Mathew Walls earned the paper a third place award in the best rural journalism category. The Queen Victoria edition of *County Life* earned an honourable mention as the best special section.

Both the *Echo* and the *Times* have been nominated as the best newspapers in their class in the Canadian Community Newspaper Association awards.

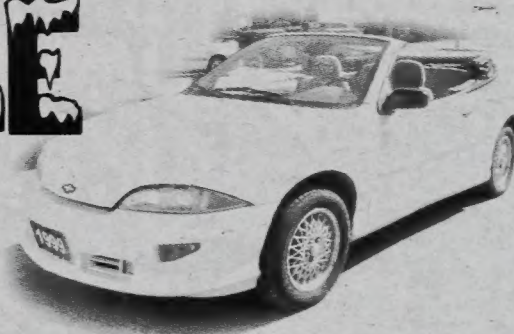
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Sunday hunting a no-go

Dysart councillors feel it's not needed here

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports from the April 11 council meeting of Dysart et al council.

After some a brief debate, council members passed on a request from the Ministry of Natural Resource's Fish and Wildlife Branch to allow Sunday hunting on private land.

The ministry is concerned about wildlife-related crop damage in southern Ontario and believes allowing Sunday hunting will help curb wildlife infiltration.

Council members felt that it was primarily a concern for farmers in regions further south, where there is a higher concentration of farmland. Because of the relatively low number of crop farmers in the county, council didn't feel it worthwhile to give a carte blanche to all potential hunters. Some members also felt that Sunday is the day "for our walks" and didn't want hikers to have to concern themselves with gunfire.

Reeve Murray Fearrey also made a point to suggest that Ontario's problems with wildlife are very much a crisis of the ministry's own making.

West Guilford reserve

Council officially approved the establishment of a \$12,920 reserve for the West Guilford Community Centre. The

reserve was discovered during the 2004 audit. It now has the stamp of approval to assist the centre with any future capital improvements, one such possibility being an air conditioning system.

CAO Tammy McKelvey called it an "excellent initiative" by the community centre board.

Alzheimer Society

Council gave the green light to the Alzheimer Society of Peterborough and area to conduct its Highland Fling five kilometre run, which will take place around Head Lake as part of the July 9th Highland Games.

Afterwards, Deputy Reeve Bill Davis initiated another motion to formally request that the society re-evaluate the temporary closing of its Haliburton office. The deputy reeve said that Haliburton's large senior population is indicative of the legitimate need for a local outlet and would like to see the office reopened as soon as possible.

More disabled parking space

A request from Community Living to designate two handicap parking spaces on Mountain Street was partially obliged by council.

Maureen O'Hara, executive director for Community Living, said in a letter that she was pleased with the municipality in its "proactive" stance on parking spots for the disabled. O'Hara asked that a parking spot be designated at 737 Mountain St. in front of the group home

and at 713 Mountain St. in front of the Royal Canadian Legion. Council approved the Haliburton Legion site but wants to further investigate the need for on in front of the group home.

Ground maintenance contract

The township awarded the Community Living Workcrew the rights to maintain municipal properties. The \$2,684 contract means Community Living will tend several township sites, including the Dysart Library, the arena, the Curling Club, and Sam Slick Park.

Wood grinding contract

Council gave S.E.L. Recycling Services a two-year contract to do wood grinding for the municipality. Council members agreed on the contract because they were already familiar with the recycling company's work and it decreased its rate by 40 cents per cubic yard to \$5 per cubic yard.

New consultant at Robinson

Robinson Consultants Inc., an environmental consulting firm frequently employed by the municipality, advised council members that employee Andrew Buzza will be leaving the company this month. Professional engineer Frank Hendriksen will replace Buzza, who was a primary consultant for the township's waste disposal sites. Hendriksen will assume management over Robinson's hydrogeology and environmental monitoring activities.

Spring fire season has started

SHERYL LOUCKS

Staff Reporter

Despite patches of snow still lingering in the woods, the ground is dry enough to burn as firefighters discovered last Sunday.

Minden Hills Fire Chief Doug Schell says 16 men responded to a call to attend a brush fire just off County Road 121 near Kinmount. The fire was burning on four to five acres of land.

Schell says they were there for about three hours but were unable to determine the cause of the fire.

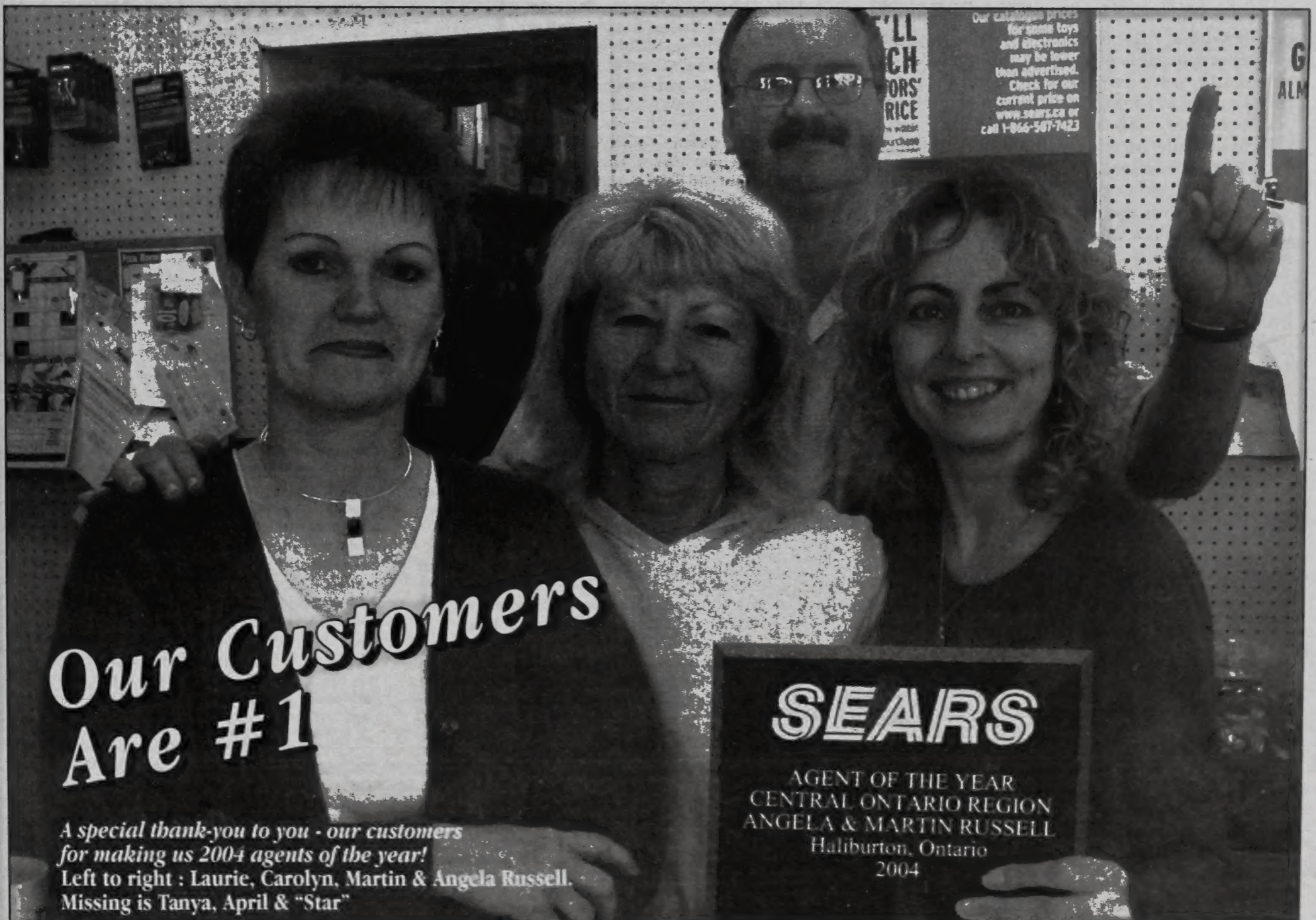
This is his department's second brush fire of the year. They also attended a brush fire on the evening of April 12.

"We're at a high fire rate and we're getting close to extreme. To the south of us they've already put out fire bans," says Schell.

He says there didn't seem to be a lot of rain last fall and this spring there has not been frost in the ground on these warm days.

This means the snow has been evaporating and soaking into the earth instead of pooling into surface water on frozen ground.

He says the forecast is calling for rain this week but if they do not get any precipitation then he may post a fire ban by this weekend.



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echo

editorial

martha perkins

People who work in the service industry play a vitally important role and while local profit margins do not always allow them to be financially compensated in accordance to their importance, we

could at least do a better job in recognizing how much we need them.

A chef can do magic in the kitchen but if the meal is presented by someone with a surly manner, the spell is quickly undone. A visitor walking into a store may be tempted to walk back out unless they are greeted with a friendly hello. Courteousness at the gas pumps or the grocery store can set a tone which welcomes instead of alienates newcomers; they feel as if they belong.

If you think of what goes into a pleasant encounter, it's often small and seemingly inconsequential things – a smile, genuine hello and confident eye contact.

Bravo to the high school for establishing a program in hospitality. Since many high school students will spend their summers, or perhaps their careers, working in the service industry, the course comes in response to a real need for training. It will focus on some of the hard skills that will help students find jobs but also things like common courtesy – stopping a conversation with a friend or co-worker when a customer walks in, for instance, so you can concentrate on the customer.

Let's hope it will also address an undercurrent of what can sometimes be described as hostility towards people who are not from here. While the small-town values of friendliness and neighbourliness are often vaunted here, we don't always extend those niceties to people we don't recognize. Visitors can tell the difference when they walk into a store and are given the cold shoulder while people who live here are engaged in friendly conversation.

Every local resident can tell a story about a tourist who treated them with disdain just because they've chosen to live in a small town. (A favourite is the person who raises their voice and speaks more slowly just in case you're too slow to understand normal conversation. And yes, believe it or not there is a lot to do here, even in the winter.)

Maybe it's this smug attitude which makes locals wary when dealing with newcomers and zaps them of their confidence. But we must all rise above those infrequent rude encounters and remember that we should treat newcomers the way we like to be treated when we travel elsewhere. We don't have to walk around with a fake smile plastered on our faces as if we are a travelling billboard for the Highlands, but we can't save our politeness for the people we recognize as fellow Highlanders.

And as locals, we can do a better job in letting people who work in the service industry know the power they can have over our day. A warm hello at the check-out counter can wipe away the traces of a long day at work; prompt and courteous service in a restaurant can turn an evening out into a brief escape from the realities of our busy lives. We too have an obligation to be polite, to offer a friendly greeting and a heartfelt thank you.



Dusk falls on Haliburton

Photo by DARREN LUM/ECHO

Majority rule not always the best

A RECENT HEADLINE in the *Echo* caught my attention. It merely stated what most of us consider obvious: the majority view should prevail.

Most of the time in a democracy that is how we operate with a surprising degree of success, compared to other systems of governing. Our country was founded on the principles of democracy, which holds that the wishes of the majority shape the laws. It should not, however, be assumed to be cast in stone.

Majority rule can lead to grievous harm when it is misused, or even abused. Majority rule, itself, then becomes a monster.

Two dramatic examples from the past century of misplaced trust in the system should never be forgotten – South Africa and the United States. The USA might still be a country with degrading laws concerning blacks if the majority who ruled in the Congress had not been forced by a minority outside of the government to, over time, rescind those laws and create new ones banning such practices.

The modern history of South Africa is even more frightening, for there democracy and its attendant rule by the majority has been in place for more than a century. There were, however, two distinct groups with diametrically opposing views concerning the role of the native Africans in the society. The one group, mainly English, and certainly more economically than ideologically oriented, ruled for half the century after defeating in the Boer war the other group, the Africaners.

Many of the Africaners never wavered in their intention to legally form a government elected by the majority of those who voted. In 1948, the party that had been in power so long had become lax; their voters complacent. They did not go to the polls in droves, but the Africaners did. The Africaner dream came true.

Once in power, they made laws creating the infamous apartheid and changing laws so that they could stay in power. That rule, with many of the trappings of a democracy, continued for

more than forty years.

These examples are perhaps the most obvious ones of the fallibility of absolute reliance on majority as the one criteria for democratic rule. They are valid in theory. It is the practice that must always be questioned.

Increasing strain has been put on various theories of democratic governance, which we hold as a right. The idea, at least in the USA, that anyone born a citizen can become president is now almost myth. Money, lots of it, is essential; thus only those with it can reach for the top. That has implications far beyond today's practice.

So far, in Canada, we have somewhat avoided this block to democratic ideals through defined electioneering periods as well as spending limits.

But other dangers lurk.

The sophisticated ways in which the minds of the electorate are now

manipulated is staggering. Where once the purpose of the few institutes that sent forth polling numbers were meant to educate the voters, now they have so proliferated that we have a pollster for every point of view. These are guaranteed to find the numbers which flatter the backers, who frequently are privately funded institutes with an ideology to promote...

Rarely when we hear the numbers do we get more than the name of the institute, not its self-mandated *raison d'être*. Polling, in itself, is a modern tool that used improperly, may seriously become detrimental to our democratic aspirations.

Democracy, although never without flaws and often quite frustrating, does seem to allow its citizens more freedoms and more opportunities to voice their opinions than any other system yet devised.

More than ever in this age that idolizes the new ways and often assumes that the old ones have little to offer by way of guidance, we need constantly to be aware of democracy's fragility. It is precious and history tells us that it is not necessarily permanent. Complacency is perhaps our greatest enemy.



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Of little girls, sunsets & bluebirds

JUST YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, I looked out my office window and saw something that I don't think I've ever seen before. My five-year-old, Carmen, was sitting absolutely still. I quickly ascertained that this was not a side effect of sleep, cartoons or heavy doses of medication. She sat so still that I actually thought that she might be in the process of writing a column. The only difference was that she wasn't drooling and babbling incoherently to herself.

In fact, she just sat there, with elbows on her knees and her chin nestled in her little hands, looking towards the west. The whole scene exuded a quaint feeling of serenity and innocence.

Suddenly, and without warning, latent parenting instincts kicked in. I raced out to her in a panic.

"Carm, are you okay?" I asked.

"Yup," she replied.

"You and your brother weren't playing with my Crazy Glue again were you?" I queried cautiously, noting that she still hadn't moved an inch.

"No, I'm just watching the sunset," she smiled.

Despite years of practice in the art of insensitivity, I couldn't help but let out an audible awww - a curious sound that I've never made before. I looked around hoping that no witnesses were in the immediate area.

True, I'd often heard the sound produced by women on seeing a newborn baby for the very first time and by some men whenever they flipped through the latest Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Edition. But, as for myself, I'd never done it.

I made a mental note to get it checked out.

"Can I sit and watch it with you?" I asked, confused by it all.

"Sure," she said, patting the most jagged and uncomfortable part of

the rock. "Sit here, beside me."

If it were anyone else, I would have remained standing. But, as I soon discovered, a father who has just been induced to awww can be conned into pretty well anything.

So I took a seat on perhaps the most uncomfortable chair ever devised by Mother Nature. Only the addition of high voltage cables and arm and leg straps could have made it worse. Carm merely smiled sweetly at my discomfort, thereby displaying a startling resemblance to her mother.

"Ah, Carm," I noted, while squinting towards the blinding sun, "there's at least one hour before sunset."

"Yes," she sighed, "it's so nice, huh, Dad?"

We sat there silently, two hopelessly blind romantics, gazing towards the bright orb in the west, for what seemed to be minutes. It was like a staring contest but only with more permanent retinal damage.

"Carm," I suggested, "there's still a whole lot of time until sunset. Can we do something else now?"

"Okay, Daddy," she gushed, "teach me about bird watching."

"Aww.....awful. Awful, yes, that's what I meant to say..." I grumbled. "So what is it you want to know?"

"Well, what are those birds circling overhead?"

"They're turkey vultures," I replied.

"Why are they suddenly flying away?"

"I think it's because we moved."

The rest of the afternoon was spent walking through the yard and fields with one set of continually unfocused binoculars, several field guides, and too many questions. Actually, it was a whole lot of fun and, for a while, I lost all the cynicism that sometimes creeps up on a person as a result of watching too many newscasts. I think that's just another reason why God invented birds and children.

When our little walk was over I finally felt like I had connected with my little girl. She and I now had a common interest, a sacred bond in fact, that centred on a love of nature and a particular fondness for our feathered friends.

She proudly carried this tiny seed of maturity and I had been there to nurture it. For the first time ever, I got a glimpse of her as a full-grown woman.

So imagine my delight when the next day, I saw two bluebirds taking stock of our bluebird house for the first time this year. I put down my splitting ax, left the woodpile and called Carmen.

"Yes, Dad," she said, perhaps a little annoyed.

"Come here," I whispered.

As she approached, I pointed out the bluebirds and looked at her, hoping to catch another glimpse of that youthful wonder and delight.

"What?" she asked.

"Look at those two beautiful bluebirds..."

"Aw, Dad, who cares?" she said, as she stomped off, somewhat angrily for no good reason.

I shook my head, not understanding any of it, and then I couldn't help but smile. Yes, my little girl was going to be a fine woman one day.

Tales from



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pic of the past

In April of 1962, Don and Carole Finn moved to Haliburton when Don opened his first law practice in Minden. Horses soon became one of their passions. They had horses at their home (across from what is now Stuart Baker Elementary School) and also got into buying horse races with Gary Vasey. On Friday, Don officially retired and an open house was held in his honour.

letters to the editor

One full day better than two halves

To the Editor:

On Thursday, April 14, the Trillium Lakelands District School Board had its second Early Dismissal (ED) Day. Students were released from school three hours earlier than usual so that teachers could attend various workshops - sort of a half P.A. Day. This is something new that the board tried this year in an attempt to cut costs.

In my opinion, ED Days are a waste of time and money. In Haliburton County, many children travel long distances on the school bus. My oldest daughter travels from Harcourt to Haliburton every morning (a one-hour bus ride) and back again in the afternoon. On Thursday I kept her and my younger daughter at home. What is the point in travelling two hours on a bus for 3 1/2

hours of school?

I can't see how the Board is saving money when the buses are running as usual for a half day of classes. It would make more sense to have a full P.A. Day instead of two ED Days, and save the daily bus cost.

I am sure this day also brought headaches to the many working parents who scrambled to make alternate arrangements for someone to be at home or at the bus stop for their children three hours earlier than usual.

I have called the school board to express my concerns. Perhaps the board should survey parents before considering any more ED Days.

Trudy Pogue
Harcourt

If there were more wolves there'd be fewer deer

To the Editor:

I agree with Mr. Kellett's observation that there are too many deer. Last summer I had my beautiful perennial garden stripped by the deer and I hit a fawn with my vehicle last fall. However, at the risk of being tarred and feathered or escorted out of town by an armed escort, allow me to express my theories on this matter.

Many of the "oldtimers" in this area think it is their civic duty to shoot wolves. I have been told by these exterminators that the reason for the killing is that wolves kill deer. Isn't that part of nature's grand design? (It's not nice to fool with

Mother Nature.) Men also kill deer. In fact, deer only have two enemies, wolves and man.

I can just see all those hunters rubbing their hands in glee at the prospect of more deer tags this fall. That really is the only way to keep the deer population down now that man has virtually wiped out all the competition. I would like to make two statements in this regard.

1) Wolves kill the old and the sick, thereby strengthening the gene pool.

2) Men kill the strongest and the healthiest specimens thereby weakening the gene pool.

Janet Bradley
Haliburton

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur



Local hunters obey conservation rules

To the Editor:

In the past few weeks there have been a lot of letters written to both the *Echo* and the *Times* regarding hunting. To my knowledge it all began after an article proposing the possibility of Sunday hunting. I personally have taken offence to a few comments that were made and because everyone is entitled to their opinion I would like to express mine.

Anyone who lives in Haliburton County can testify the deer population is thriving. I think whoever it was that brought the possibility of Sunday hunting up was just trying to get feedback.

The Ministry of Natural Resources, with help from the Haliburton Outdoors Association, monitor numbers of deer in the area and I doubt the Sunday hunt would have been brought up if they weren't concerned about the deer's growing numbers.

It doesn't mean that opening the hunt up on Sundays is justified. There are a lot of different things that can be done and a lot more opinions to be voiced before that is made reality.

As far as controlled hunts ... hunts are controlled. The time of year is controlled and so is the tag selection. All hunter shave to apply for a doe tag which limits what animal they can harvest. yes "Mother Nature will establish a balance amongst creatures", but did God not make us predators? Humans have always been part of that balance and I personally would rather see venison on

someones table than lying dead in the bush from some disease.

Not all hunters are out for trophies, some rely on hunting season to stock their freezers for the winter. Believe me, I work in a butcher shop, I know what a side of beef is worth.

Which brings me to my next point. In Mr. Gryciuk's letter I got the impression hat he doesn't think that hunters eat what they harvest. During the second week of deer season I worked until late at night butchering venison that local hunters have brought in. Why would they pay to have it cut up if they weren't going to eat it?

Hunting season is a three-week period (moose and deer combined) that helps my place of employment with a big boost to get us through the winter, so in my eyes hunters are big shoppers.

Hunters who truly love the hunt are also conservationists. They want to see wildlife populations healthy and strong so they may continue to do what they enjoy to do ... hunt.

And bottom line, this is a democratic country and whether hunters make up four percent or 94 percent of the population, they're firm believers that "hunting and fishing are our heritage" and have the right to practise it. And believe me if the MNR believed that hunting would lead to extinction they would put an end to it.

Amanda Main,
Hunter, Haliburton



Hunting is a personal choice to be respected

To the Editor:

Re: Rolf Gryciuk's letter Tuesday, April 12 - Sunday hunting and the urban deer.

I do live where I hunt; I live to hunt, my choice. The other choice is a much more convenient food source which is supervised by men and women, with part of your grocery prize held behind fences where they seem to feel it is safe until their adrenaline rush ends by shopping for bargains on Sunday.

To belong or not to belong to the hunting fraternity is a personal choice, a choice granted to us by our gallant veterans. They fought for those privileges against oppressive forces that believed in rape, pillage, murder and even terrorism. The NIMBY (not in my backyard) approach only serves to divide people or conjure up resentment for those whose outdoor expression infringes upon you outside the boundaries of your property.

To each their own pursuit of happiness and to all a safe hunt.

Lawrence Kowal
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Health teams will be based in Haliburton, Minden and maybe Wilberforce

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have already been in contact with doctors interested in this community but who were hesitant to commit due to the fee-for-service system. Health services plan to pursue these prospects with the recent announcement from the province.

"We are hoping to introduce some new human resources in the summer and into the fall," says Archibald, not specifying the nature of those resources.

The recruitment of nurse practitioners, which could be as many as four, will also help to lighten doctors' load by dealing with more routine needs, such as people with stable, chronic diseases and healthy low-risk pregnancies.

This will be the first time that the county has ever received funding for nurse practitioners.

"The Family Health Team model is one that will work well here and service the ongoing needs of residents in this

area," said Dr. Robert Heyes in a press release. Dr. Heyes is a local doctor and a member of the HHHS board.

The Family Health Team will be able to provide access to health care day and night, seven days a week. This apparently includes access by phone to a registered nurse.

The new unit will be primarily located in Haliburton and Minden, with an outreach office in Wilberforce. Archibald says that discussions will eventually open up to other communities to address their particular needs.

The McGuinty initiative promises to serve more than 1.1 million patients across Ontario and is what the government sees as a significant leap toward carrying out the Romanow Commission's healthcare

recommendations. In addition to the 52 new healthcare units, there will be three networks of Family Health Teams set up in Hamilton, Barrie, and Peterborough.



Beth Archibald hopes hiring team members can begin this summer.



Keeping an eye out for owls

This is year five of five years for the current Breeding Bird Atlas, and local birder Ed Poropat encourages Highlanders to take part in the standardized owl survey. If you want to add to our knowledge of these nocturnal creations, Bird Studies Canada also conducts its own survey. To find out more contact Susan Debrececi at sdebrececi@bsc-eoc.org or 1-888-448-BIRD.

Darren Lum photo

Public Notice

The Board of the new Whitby Mental Health Centre Corporation has a number of vacancies. The by-laws of the new corporation stipulate that the Board be representative of the communities the hospital serves. Specifically, positions are available to represent the Region of Durham, the former East York and Scarborough, the City of Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough and Victoria Counties. The centre with 320 beds serves a growing population of more than 2.5 million residents over an area of 7,600 square kilometers.

The Whitby Mental Health Centre (WMHC) is undergoing transformation from a provincially operated psychiatric hospital to a public, community-based specialty psychiatric hospital. WMHC, serving those with severe mental illness, will become part of the public hospital system.

Candidates who have been consumers of mental health services as well as experienced community volunteers with a long-standing interest in the well being of their community and a strong commitment to those with mental health needs will be particularly interested in this opportunity.

In addition, volunteers with experience in communications and media relations, information technology, law/law enforcement, or the development of community supports will be in a position to provide unique contributions to the governance function.

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Career symposium introduces students to tourism jobs

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Being trained in the fine art of wine tasting opened up doors for Rowell that included employment in Toronto's posh Yorkdale district where he used to make \$300 to \$500 on good nights in cash tips. Rowell says he was making as much money working 25 hours a week as others were working 40 to 50 hours a week and he never took work home with him. Instead, he says he learned the intricacies of the food and beverage industry by wining and dining in the best restaurants, not from textbooks.

"Metallica, Michael Kane, Renee Zellweger, Avril Lavigne, Minnie Driver... these are the kind of people I served. Your chances of meeting these kinds of people in any other career is unlikely," says Rowell.

He says the job allows you to hob nob with people from all slices of life and get a rush from busy periods.

"You have a sense of control of being able to make or break someone's evening. If you're the kind of person who likes to help others, than it's a fun sensation knowing you've made sure

DARREN LUM/Echo



Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's Principal Gary Brohman applauds a hospitality and tourism symposium that the high school hosted at the Delta Pinestone Resort. A new course on the subject begins this fall to prepare students for employment.

someone had a good time," says Rowell.

Rowell was one of eight staff members from the Delta Pinestone, Wigamog and Bonnie View Inn to talk to the students about reception, housekeeping, maintenance, recreation programs and other aspects of the hospitality business.

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Principal Gary Brohman says that with 1.3 million people in Canada employed in tourism it is an enormous

industry that encompasses a lot more than the folks who make beds and serve meals.

Brohman says with almost half of his school's students going straight to work after high school it is important to prepare students with employable skills. That is why HHSS teacher Melissa Stephens co-ordinated the symposium and why the school will be offering a new hospitality and tourism program

this fall. Brohman says he wanted the students to know they have that choice before entering high school.

The high school has received a \$67,000 grant to convert an old tech room into a new kitchen and teaching facility. Brohman says they have been offering a foods and nutrition program but now they will be able to offer more tourism related courses that are applicable to local employment opportunities.

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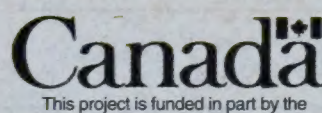
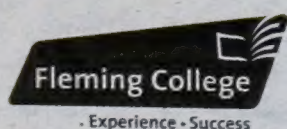
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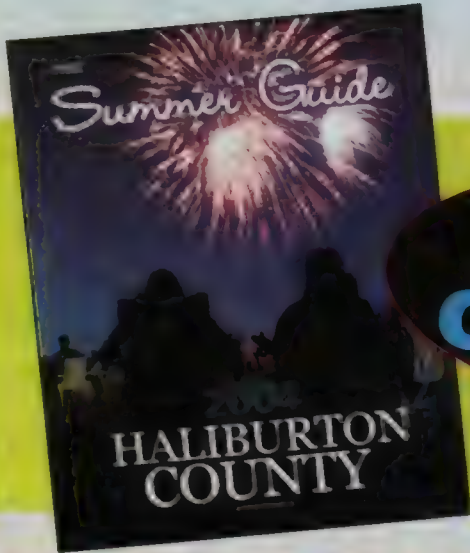
Happy retirement

For 43 years, Don Finn's law practice has been an institution at the corner of Newcastle and St. Germaine Streets in Minden. First he established his office in an old "broom closet" in the county's registry office. A few years later he bought the house kitty corner to the registry office and then, as his practice continued to expand, the former United Church manse next door. At the height of his practice he had 10 employees who he encouraged to increase their range of skills and abili-

ties. Many of his staff stayed with him for almost three decades. On Friday, his staff hosted a retirement open house for him in Minden attended by clients, friends, judges and fellow lawyers. It was an afternoon of praise for his years of dedication and a chance to honour his prodigious knowledge of and commitment to the county. His practice has been acquired by Dan Cornell, a Lindsay lawyer with long roots as a cottager in the Highlands. Most of the staff has been retained and Cornell hopes to be able to take on new clients soon. Don and his wife, Carole, above, have no immediate retirement plans other than enjoying the opportunity to spend more time with his family, dogs and home on Grass Lake.

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Tourist operators may get reprieve from onerous water regulations

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Staff Reporter

Minister of Environment Leona Dombrowsky has indicated the province's cumbersome water regulations may be assuaged. The latest development comes as welcome news for small business owners, who have long protested against the new water rules – also known as Bill 170 – which legislate stringent and often expensive upgrades to any public water system.

"I'm cautiously optimistic," says Pam Smith, owner of Meadow Wood B&B. "The caution comes from the way things have played out over the past years. We really don't know what is going to happen, so I think it's important to wait until we see what the final changes will be."

Dombrowsky recently received the final report from the Drinking Water Advisory Council, a committee she formed last June to investigate the viability of Bill 170. The report, which will be mulled over by the government over the coming weeks, recommended investing public health units with the authority to inspect water systems, much in the same way they do for food premises.

"I think this is happening because of the reaction

from small businesses," says Don Pflug, owner of Stouffer Mill B&B. "The way it was proposed before was unwieldy and too expensive."

Dombrowsky says that public water health inspectors would evaluate the safety of a water source and determine whether treatment is needed. If results were unsatisfactory, they would be able to recommend what system is necessary to implement. The new solution would contrast with current regulations, put in place by the former Conservative government in response to the Walkerton tragedy, which insist upon a one-size-fits-all system of testing and treatment.

The various pending deadlines for compliance with Bill 170 had some small business owners worried the upgrade costs would put them out of business. While the outlook appears to have improved, there is still concern regarding the details within the health unit inspection recommendation.

"It's great to say that health inspectors are going to come around, but is there going to be a charge?" says Pflug, who made a presentation to the advisory committee in Bancroft last October.

The ministry acknowledged that there may be cost implications but has thus far not given further details on the matter.

The advisory council heard from more than 120 presenters and received more than 100 written submissions in the 12 communities they traveled to last year.

IGA agrees to be major sponsor of Highland Games

The organizing committee of The Haliburton Highland Games is very pleased that the Haliburton IGA has signed on as a major sponsor for the presentation of this year's Games for July 9.

"Bob and Wendy Park of the IGA have always been conscious of the benefits an event the size of the Games brings to Haliburton,"

says Jim Frost, chair of this year's Games. "We are very happy to have The Haliburton IGA on board to help us maintain the Games as a vital part in the life of the community of Haliburton."

"Wendy and I have always maintained this is a great and vibrant community and we're happy to help the Games continue to be an important part of our summer season," says Bob Park.

It is no secret the Games needed strong financial revitalization after two difficult years and Frost says that having IGA's support will ensure that the volunteers can continue

bringing an excellent festival to Haliburton.

"We are making a number of changes to this year's Games and we're sure we'll have a great day," he says.

The games will be held July 9 at Head Lake Park in the heart of Haliburton Village. This is the 17th year for the games, which feature a variety of Gaelic type activities including Highland Dancing, Massed Bands, Heavy Games, Border Collie sheep herding and featuring several new events including a Tug of War challenge and as well a revamped children's program with Family Story Telling as just one of the new attractions.



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Benton Brown: A small town boy with big talents

NICOLE RALLIS

HHSS Student

Late last month Benton Brown, a local resident and Grade 11 student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, gave his acting career a huge boost. He was awarded "Best Student Actor" at the Eastern Ontario Drama League Spring Festival.

Benton won the award for his work in *Never Such Innocence Again*, a play about two Haliburton families before World War I.

"The play talks about how everyone in Haliburton, especially the two families in particular, dealt with the war," Benton explains.

Benton had a very moving monologue, which he claims won him the award.

Never Such Innocence Again also took home two other first-place awards. Kathryn Boyd who won best female actress and director Caryl Miller took the honours for best work on a new production. The play, which was written by

DARREN LUM/FILE PHOTO



Benton Brown, a Grade 11 student, right, squared off against Mark Johnston in the recent production of Michael Fay's first play, *Never Such Innocence Again*. His powerful performance earned him an award in a n Eastern Ontario drama festival.

Minden resident Michael Fay, also earned six runner-up awards. No other production earned as many awards.

Long before the performance that earned him his award, Benton has demonstrated a knack for acting. His career so far consists of over five plays, including two tribute shows for the high school which he hosted.

"I have loved acting even as a child. The first time I realized that I was good at it was after my tribute skit in Grade 9... It was after my Bob Newhart skit," Benton says.

Along with acting Benton has several more dreams. He is an avid athlete, playing on the high school basketball team and soccer team and he also takes part

every week in men's league soccer. After high school he hopes to first get a degree in history and English then move on to acting.

You can watch out for Benton in the near future. He will be appearing in a new musical comedy called *The Perilous Pirate's Daughter* this summer as part of the Highlands Summer Festival.

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Highlands East also turns down Sunday hunting

'We need one day without guns going off,' says Councillor Suzanne Partridge

LANCE CROSSLEY
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 12 meeting of Highlands East council.

Council decided not to oblige a request from the Ministry of Natural Resource's Fish and Wildlife Branch to allow Sunday hunting.

The ministry is asking municipalities to allow Sunday hunting because of crop and property damage being caused by wildlife in Southern Ontario.

While Ontario farmers are reporting wildlife related crop and livestock damage that exceeds \$40 million annually, council felt the premise of the request did not apply to the township, which has a very low farmer population.

Council also took into consideration the concerns of non-hunters. "We need one day without guns going off," said Councillor Suzanne Partridge.

Trails & Tours

Representatives from Trails and Tours Network pitched council to make their annual contribution to the organization.

Executive Director Lindsay Elder and President Kate Hall illustrated how trails and tours benefit the local economy, encourage community pride, and help support healthy lifestyles in the area.

The group also briefly listed some future projects, which include developing the Gooderham community trail and tending to the continued development of the IB&O Rail Trail. Council said they will defer the request for budgetary deliberations.

Lifeguards

Council hired three summer lifeguards for the Cardiff pool: Lyndsay Wollborn (instructor/lifeguard), Ali Grenier (shiftguard), and Adam Ward (assistant instructor/lifeguard). Aside from Cardiff, there are two additional summer swimming programs taking place at Wilberforce and Gooderham beach. The Cardiff lifeguards will be working from the end of June to the end of August.

The township has had more difficulty filling the posts at Wilberforce and Gooderham because those programs run only in July, which encourages students to pursue other opportunities that pay a full summer salary.

To counter this, council may alternate two-week sessions at both Wilberforce and Gooderham over the course of the July and August to give prospective life-

guards full summer employment.

Hanover resolution

Council supported a resolution from the town of Hanover that wants the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to be allowed to take part in salary deliberations between the provincial government and the provincial police. The resolution also asked that the financial burden of municipal policing be regarded as part of the Community Reinvestment Fund. Many rural townships feel that policing costs are becoming too cumbersome for municipalities to cover.

Rabies clinic

A rabies clinic will be held at the Wilberforce Fire Hall this fall on October 1st from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.. The clinic will be staged by the Haliburton Veterinary Services and will help control the fight against rabies. The province is trying to eradicate the virus and says cases have dropped dramatically over recent years. Cases of fox-strain rabies dropped to 54 cases in Ontario last year, down from 1,500 cases that were present before control measures were implemented in 1989.

New Appointee

Council gave its blessing for Craig Pettit to be appointed to the Committee of Adjustment and the Land Division Committee.

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The overall winners of the Friday Men's Curling League were from right to left: John Smillie, skip; Brian Murison, vice; Peter Byer, second; and Joe Sebesta, lead.



The Curry Motors trophy went to the winners of the Millennium Playdowns. From left is: Wilf Guenette; Jack Virgin; Don Dillon; presenter Don Popple; and John Smillie.

Smillie team first in Friday men's curling

WENDY VERMEERSCH

Special to the Echo

The Seniors Curling is finished for the year and the results are as follows:

Monday Mixed First Draw winners: John Lindsay, Skip; Brian Hambly, Vice; Marilyn Whittaker, Second; Wendy Vermeersch, Lead

Monday Mixed Second Draw winners: John Smillie, Skip; Norma McCoy, Vice; Gord Arthur, Second; Lolita Mitchell, Lead

The Millennium Playdowns for the Curry Motors trophy were between the John Lindsay and John Smillie teams. The winner was the John Smillie team.

Tuesday Ladies First Draw: Jerry Palmer, Skip; Norma McCoy, Vice; Marilyn Whittaker, Second; Janice



Presenting a cheque for \$9,669 to Chester Howse is Marilou Mizzan. The proceeds are from the Tim Bits Junior Curling event. (Curling photos by Sharon Murison.)

Bishop, Lead

Tuesday Ladies Second Draw: Phyllis Woodcock, Skip; Brigitte Bassie, Vice; Yvonne Johnson, Second; Betty Ablett, Lead

Thursday Mixed First Draw winners: Glen Carter, Skip; Audrey Hewitt, Vice; Lindsay Ploughman, Second; Ruth Kelly, Lead

Thursday Mixed Second Draw winners: John Smillie, Skip; Bill Matthews, Vice; Joan Evers, Second; Don Dillon, Lead

Friday Men's League First Draw winners: John Lindsay, Skip; Chester Howse, Vice; Percy McBain, Second; Ray Luck, Lead

Friday Men's League Second Draw winners: John Smillie, Skip; Brian Murison, Vice; Peter Byer, Second; Joe Sebesta, Lead

Congratulations to all the winners.

The Annual General Meeting

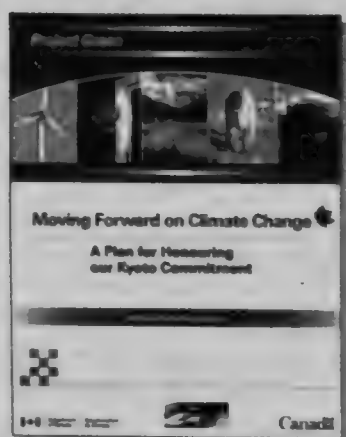
was held on Tuesday March 21 at the Curling Club. The new executive was elected as follows:

President: Chester Howse
Vice President: Bruce Martin
Secretary: Sandra Anderson
Treasurer: Gary Bradshaw
Youth Chair: Marilou Mizzan
Bar Chair: Gary Thorpe
Bonspiel Chair: John Smillie
Social Convenor: Chris Zahn
The Haliburton Curling Club held the final banquet on April 2 at Delta Pinestone where Mary Lou Mizzan presented a cheque for over \$9,669 to Chester Howse from proceeds from the Tim Bits Junior Curling event hosted in February.

The Haliburton Curling Club has had a very busy and successful year and we look forward to next fall for more great curling. Have a good summer and see you on the links.

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Gold medals galore for local dancers

Haliburton Dance Arts recently competed in the Orillia Opera House Dance Festival. The festival featured 18 Dance Schools from across Ontario and over 600 routines.

Over the five days of the festival Haliburton Dance Arts received: 15 gold medals, 27 silver medals, highest overall mark in production, highest overall mark in Junior Jazz, highest overall Mark in Modern Ballet.

Haliburton Dance Arts received a \$500 studio scholarship for outstanding production.

Chyna Schell received a \$120

scholarship for Jazz. Jamie, Alex and Jasmine Purnell received a \$75 scholarship for dance.

The school's next competition is May 13, 14, 15 at the Peterborough Theatre.

Anyone wanting more information please call the studio for times.

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Red Hawks win badminton tourney

JASON MORISSETTE

Special to the Echo

The HHSS Senior badminton team had a very successful day at Fenelon Falls

High School on April 13. Playing against all high schools from the Lindsay, Cobourg and Port Hope region, the Red Hawks met the challenge.

The Red Hawk badminton team won the tournament and was able to qualify most players

for the Kawartha championships this week in Peterborough.

Senior team results were as follows:

Kathryn Berube: 1st in ladies singles

Kate Dawson and Nicole Manary: 1st in ladies doubles

Kiernan Gilloly and Justin Mckelvey: 1st in mens doubles

Kerry Heming: 2nd in ladies singles

Jesse Johnson and Deni Knezevic: 2nd in men's doubles

Paige Collins and Julie Johnston: 3rd in ladies doubles

Brendan White and Krista Miscio: 4th in mixed doubles

Team members are excited to compete in another Kawartha Championship. It hopes to qualify as many players for the COSSA championships on Wednesday April 27 at HHSS. With only the top four best teams in each division moving on from Kawartha, qualifying for COSSA will be a true test of skill.



The Red Hawks badminton team members were all smiles after winning in Fenelon Falls.

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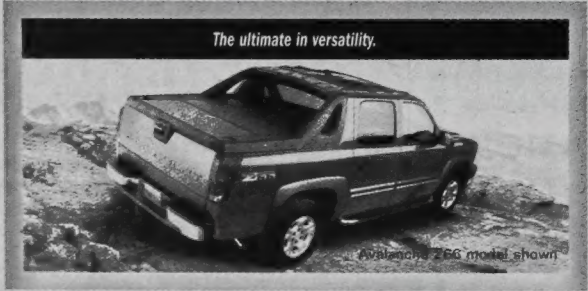
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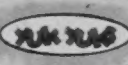
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**Winemaker's
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Saturday April 23, 2005

Wigamog Inn Resort is proud to continue its tradition of supporting our truly exceptional
Ontario wineries. During the month of April we are featuring the wines of Kacaba Vineyards.

Reception begins at 6:00pm - Dinner to follow

\$69.99 per person

Each course is accompanied by carefully selected wines introduced
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Imported and Domestic Cheese Board
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Cognac and Peppercorn Pate with Crostini Crackers
Tiger Shrimp
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FIRST COURSE

Herbed Focaccia topped with
Marinated Field Tomato Concasse Prosciutto Feta and
Mozzarella served with Extra Virgin Olive Oil
and Balsamic of Modena

SECOND COURSE

Tranche of Fresh Atlantic Salmon Almond Encrusted with a
Haliburton Maple and Cilantro Buerre Blanc

THIRD COURSE

Mixed Grill of Smoked Medallion of Beef Tenderloin
Fresh Herbed Crusted Chicken finished
with a Sun Dried Cherry Demi Glace

DESSERT

Maple Baked Apple with a Sun Dried Apricot Compote
and an Old Cheddar Mouseline

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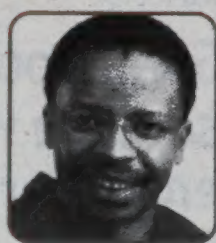
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Saturday, April 23, 2005
"Rose Cousins & Brooke Miller"
8:00 pm • Tickets \$15.00

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